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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MILLER of Florida).

## DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

Washington, DC, July 14, 2004.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JEFF MIL-LER to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day

> J. Dennis Hastert, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

#### PRAYER

The Reverend Danny Cochran, Pastor, Holly Creek Baptist Church, Chatsworth, Georgia, offered the following prayer:

Heavenly Father, since the beginning of our Nation its leaders and people have called upon You seeking guidance, protection and blessings. You have heard those prayers and blessed this great Nation in ways that defy description. The Psalmist wrote, "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord." This Nation has truly experienced the reality of those words. We humbly thank You for the freedom and many other blessings that we enjoy.

Today, we turn to You again. The ladies and gentlemen of this House of Representatives will make decisions that will affect multitudes of people for many years to come. We pray that You will give them insight and wisdom as they deliberate these important issues. Help them to choose what is right and good.

We pray Your continued blessings upon this Nation, its people, President, and those who protect her freedom. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. GINGREY) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. GINGREY led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Monahan, one of its clerks, announced that the Secretary requests the return to the Senate of (H.R. 1303) entitled "An Act to amend E-Government Act of 2002 with respect to rulemaking authority of the Judicial Conference.", in compliance with a request of the Senate for the return thereof.

#### THE REVEREND DANNY COCHRAN

(Mr. GINGREY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GINGREY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on behalf of my colleague, the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. DEAL). He has asked me, in his absence, to extend a warm welcome to Reverend Danny Cochran. It is a pleasure to have him join us today as our guest chaplain.

Reverend Cochran has served the people of the 10th District of Georgia for nearly 20 years. He is currently the

Pastor of Holly Creek Baptist Church in Chatsworth, Georgia. Reverend Cochran received undergraduate degrees from Liberty University and Luther Rice Seminary and a Master of Arts and Religion from Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary. He is currently pursuing a Doctorate of Ministry.

While he has continually served those in his community through programs such as Big Brothers of America and the "Economics of Staying in School," Reverend Cochran has extended his ministry beyond our country's borders. He has traveled to the Caribbean Islands, to Russia, to Romania and Honduras to bring aid to the people of these countries.

It is an honor to have him offer this morning's prayer. Reverend Cochran, we appreciate your service not only to the citizens of the 10th District of Georgia but to all Georgians, including those I represent in the 11th Congressional District. On behalf of my colleagues here in the United States House of Representatives, I thank you for your Ministry to us here today.

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will now entertain ten 1-minutes per side.

PRESIDENT BUSH PROTECTING AMERICAN FAMILIES IN GLOBAL WAR ON TERROR

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, despite the constant partisan sniping that seeks to use the ups and downs of war to political advantage, President Bush was absolutely right to end Saddam Hussein's sadistic regime, and he did it at the right time.

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